LONG Story Short

THE BIBLE IN SIX SIMPLE MOVEMENTS

May 25-26, 2019

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"I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me." John 17:20-21 (NLT)

Why do I as a Christ-follower need to be a part of the Church?

1. Only in the church, do I find my true ______ in Christ.

For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her to make her holy and clean, washed by the cleansing of God's word. He did this to present her to himself as a glorious church without a spot or wrinkle or any other blemish. Instead, she will be holy and without fault. Ephesians 5:25-27 (NLT)

Then I heard again what sounded like the shout of a vast crowd or the roar of mighty ocean waves or the crash of loud thunder: "Praise the Lord! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns. Let us be glad and rejoice, and let us give honor to him. For the time has come for the wedding feast of the Lamb, and his bride has prepared herself. She has been given the finest of pure white linen to wear." For the fine linen represents the good deeds of God's holy people. Revelation 19:6-8 (NLT)

2. Only in the church, do I find my true ______ for Christ.

A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other...The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ. Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit. 1 Corinthians 12:7, 12-13 (NLT)

"For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me." Matthew 25:35-36 (NLT)

GRACE NEWS

Updating Our Database – please complete the front portion of your Let's Connect card and drop it in the box as you leave.

The Gathering Table – Open Monday – Saturday 9 AM-3 PM. Featuring specialty coffee, fresh baked goods, and breakfast sandwiches. Meeting room space available. Contact Sherri at swambolt@ egracechurch.com or Sarah at sarahdavis@ egracechurch.com.

Hospitality Ministry is in need of volunteers to open doors, greet guests, and hand out bulletins between services. All you need to serve is a willing heart and a smile! Contact Jenn K. 574.7161 X 233.

A Reception will be held next Sunday, June 2, immediately following the 8:30 worship service in the Connections Café to honor Gwen Gregg for her faithful service as our Choir Director. Cards of appreciation are welcome as Mike and Gwen move to Texas to be closer to their family.

Vacation Bible School is June 24-28. Your kidz will "Roar" as we adventure and learn that Life is Wild, but God is Good! Register at www.egracechurch. com/capevbs.

VBS Serving Opportunities – Contact Stacy Knight at 574.7161 for more information or register online at www.egracechurch.com/capevbs.

Youth Summer Staff is for students to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ, their capacity as a leader, and their understanding of leading in ministry. June 20, June 27, July 11, and July 18. Register at egracechurch.com/summerstaff.

Fuse 19 is for middle and high school students to experience 4 days of fun that includes free dinner, games, worship, teaching, and prizes - July 10, 17, 24, 31. Register online at egracechurch.com/fuse19.

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date: / /			
Service Attended:			
□ 1st time □ 2nd time □ 3rd time			
Regular Attendee Church Member			
Male Female			
How did you hear about Grace Church?			
Name(s):			
□ Single □ 18-23 □ 50's			
□ Married □ 24-29 □ 60+			
□ Divorced □ 30's			
□ Widowed □ 40's			
□ Middle School □ High School □ College			
Address:			
City:			
State: Zip:			
Ph:			
Cell:			
Email:			
Please update my contact information			

MY DECISION TODAY

I said YES for the first time,

- and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to RENEW my relationship with Jesus.

We have resources to help you with your decision.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR:	
□ Public Prayer List	□ For Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give -OR-

text any amount to: 239.205.3123

An effective and time-saving way to give your tithes and offerings without carrying cash or writing checks.





Grace Kidz Summer Camp 2019 – Camp is tech free and kidz go on a field trip every day. To register, paperwork is available in the Family Center or email sknight@egracechurch.com.

Time for Grace (respite for those with memory loss) – Tuesday, May 28 from 2-4 PM in the Youth Room.

Fresh Expressions – Join Pastor Heather Sunday, May 26 from 10-11 AM in Room 3 for a discussion of Michael Beck's new book, Deep Roots, Wild Branches.

DivorceCare – Mondays at 6:30 PM at The Gathering Table. Contact Carol at cmusselman@ egracechurch.com.

SCHEDULE

Worship Times:

Saturday @ 5pm | Sunday @ 10 & 11:30am, Sunday at 8:30am (Traditional)

Grace Kidz/Youth

Grace Place (Infant - 5th grade): Sat. @ 5pm, Sunday @ 10 & 11:30am Planet 45 (4th & 5th): Sunday at 10am Revolution (Middle School + High School): Wednesday from 6:30-8:30pm

Choose Recovery

Friday @ 6:45pm

GIVING

General Fund		
Last Week	\$ 35,704	
Received YTD	\$ 671,164	